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SHATTERED WINDOWS

Citizens of Caracas Indulged in Violent Demonstrations.

WRATH WAS INTENSE

Seizure of Venezuelan Navy Caused Inhabitants of the Capital City to Participate in Scenes Upon the Streets.

La Guayra, Dec. 11.—The combined English and German fleet is entering the harbor and the first vessels are not 300 feet from the custom house. Landing of marines has begun.

Willemstadt, Curacao, Dec. 11.—There was a great patriotic demonstration in Caracas at 8 o'clock Tuesday night when the news arrived that the British and German warships had seized the Venezuelan war vessels at La Guayra. Crowds quickly gathered and paraded the streets and displaying banners and singing patriotic songs. Violent speeches were delivered at various points. The populace marched to the palace of President Castro, who addressed it. The mob then moved on to the German legation, shouting: "Death to the Germans."

The windows were shattered with stones and attempts were made to force the doors, but the latter resisted these efforts and Mme. Von Pilgrim Baltazzi, the wife of the German charge d'affaires, who has been ill in bed for the past two months, and therefore could not leave Caracas with her husband, was thus saved from violence. The crowd then marched to the German consulate and to the residence of R. Koehler, again stoning the windows and attempting to force an entrance. The police made no effort to disperse the demonstration. The excitement was still intense when at 10 o'clock at night the government ordered the arrest of all the German and English residents. One hour later 205 persons, prominent in social and commercial life, were crowded together in the police station. All the British residents were arrested except Albert Cherry, of the Venezuelan British-owned Central railway, and Mr. Wallace, manager of the telephone company, who escaped to a place of safety.

Ninety-seven German residents were arrested, among them the German consul, Valentine Blohm and Herr Knoop, the manager of the German Central railway. Herr Simm Ross, Chancellor of the German legation, was met by the police near Bolivar square and also arrested.

Amid cries of "Death to the Germans," and "Down with the foreigners," the populace directed its way to the German residential quarter and gathered outside the hotel Kilndt, and the German club, vociferating and uttering insults.

FLEET CAPTURED.

Ten German and Four British Cutters Were Engaged in Seizure.

La Guayra, Dec. 11.—Ten German and four British cutters captured the Venezuelan fleet Tuesday. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender, and without a shot being fired the British and German forces seized the fleet in the name of the German emperor and the king of England. Two of the vessels which were undergoing repairs were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings with her decks cleared for action. The Venezuelan steamers were taken outside the harbor, and at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning the General Crespo, Tutmo and Margarita were sunk. The Ososon was the only vessel spared, in view of the protest made by the French charge d'affaires, H. Quevieux, who notified the commander of the allied fleet that the Ososon is the property of a Frenchman.

"PEACEFUL BLOCKADE."

State Department Has Been Advised This Is the Situation at LaGuayra.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The state department has been advised that a "peaceful blockade" exists at La Guayra, which is the port of Caracas, the capital of Venezuela. The difference between this state and a state of war is not very strongly marked, except in the opportunity afforded by the peaceful blockade to effect a settlement without actual bloodshed. The situation is regarded here as critical.

Minister Bowen at Caracas has accepted the trust placed upon him to look after the interests of the British and German citizens in Venezuela and this has brought him into conflict with President Castro. He has informed the state department that a number of these citizens were arrested Tuesday in Caracas. Mr. Bowen at once addressed himself to President Castro to secure their release. He represented that he had been charged with the care of the British and German subjects in Venezuela but President Castro was unwilling at first to recognize his authority. Finally, the minister convinced him

that he was acting within his rights and President Castro consented with reluctance to release the principal prisoners.

Mr. Bowen will insist upon the release of the remainder. He wishes to play the part of peacemaker between the principals in this dispute, and the state department, after considering his statements, has decided that he may do this only upon application from Venezuela for his good offices, and if the same be acceptable to the British and German representatives. This attitude is said to be consistent with that assumed by the United States govern-

BASEBALL SITUATION.

The Old Southern League Surrenders and Memphis and Shreveport Out.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 11.—After wrangling for two days in conferences, in which nearly all those prominent in Southern league baseball circles participated, over the trouble originating with the advent of James St. Vrain into the Southern League, the Southern Association of Baseball Clubs Wednesday made a practically complete surrender to the new organization, put on foot by Charles Frank. This ends the turmoil which has kept the baseball world of the south engrossed for nearly a year. The terms as far as given out are: Chattanooga and Shreveport will be dropped from the circuit; Savannah and Montgomery will be added; Charles Frank retains the Memphis franchise; Memphis club and Frank restored to good standing; Memphis will be paid for all losses sustained during last season, on account of unplayed games, legal costs, etc., and for money spent in booming the new organization. The amount to be paid to the Memphis club is said to be about \$5000.

New league franchises in Atlanta, Birmingham and New Orleans are to be withdrawn and the holders of the franchises are to be reimbursed by the local clubs for expenses.

President Kavanaugh says the reported terms of the agreement are misleading.

MISCREANTS FOILED.

One of Them Met His Death at Hands of Young Mr. Dodd.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 11.—A Gazette special from Texarkana says:

A daring and fatal attempt to rob the bank at De Kalb, thirty miles west of here on the Texas and Pacific railway, was made by four men about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning. Up stairs over the bank is the local telephone exchange, owned and operated by W. L. Dodd and his son, Marvin, twenty years of age. One of the robbers knocked on the telephone exchange door and when Marvin Dodd responded a pistol was presented at his face. Young Dodd grappled with the man and wrenched the weapon from his hand, and with it shot the bandit dead in his tracks. A fusillade followed and young Dodd was wounded in the side and foot, not seriously. The three surviving bandits escaped. Bloodhounds were placed on their trail that afternoon. Papers found on the dead man contain the name of J. J. Ryan.

TERRITORY NOTES.

About 87 1-2 per cent of the Creek Indian lands have been allotted.

Mrs. Sallie Chandler, well known all over the Indian Territory, died at Ashland.

In a shooting affray at Comanche, I. T., Will Tucker was fatally wounded and Dud Lirk slightly.

Three men were jailed at Ardmore, I. T., in connection with the mysterious death of Lizzie Risten, a negress.

A committee of citizens of Vinita, I. T., go to Washington to look after the admission of the Indian Territory to statehood with Oklahoma.

SHOCKING CRIME.

Louisiana Lady Called to Her Door and Her Body Riddled With Shot.

Alexandria, La., Dec. 11.—One of the most dastardly murders ever recorded in the criminal annals of Louisiana occurred near Oberlin, about fifty miles south of this place. A Mrs. Sonia was called to her door and her body riddled with shot. She died almost instantly. A clue was secured concerning the identity of the murderer, and an armed posse is searching the country for him.

Large Amount Oued For.

San Antonio, Dec. 11.—Claude E. Coon, who was arrested in the Indian Territory and brought here and jailed on a charge of using the United States mails to defraud, was acquitted in the United States court and immediately afterward filed civil suit for \$50,000 damages for malicious prosecution against J. E. Houghland of Wapelle county, Iowa; Charles S. Brice, J. S. Borley, W. Mitchell and the St. Louis Iowa and Northern Railroad company.

Burglars at Beaumont.

Beaumont, Tex., Dec. 11.—Between 12 and 1 o'clock Wednesday morning two unmasked white men entered the apartments of Mrs. James W. Lynch in the second story of the Threadneedle building, threw a pistol in her face and demanded her cash and other valuables. The lady fainting the men secured \$20 in cash and about \$200 worth of valuables, including several silk skirts.

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A Comic Opera
A Musical Comedy
A Romance
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New SONGS, New SPECIALTIES and DANCES
Prices as usual.

Mexico's Representatives.

Laredo, Tex., Dec. 11.—A City of Mexico dispatch says: Announcement has been made of the appointment of Janvier Arrangoiz, director general of customs, and Pedro M. Del Paso, of Vera Cruz, as representatives of Mexico at the customs congress to meet in the city of New York next month.

Spoke a Schooner.

Galveston, Dec. 11.—Captain Parker of the steamer El Siglo, which arrived in port Wednesday, reported that on the 9th, while ten miles north of Fowlyrocks, on the Florida coast, he spoke the schooner Doris M. Pickup of Annapolis, bound south.

Dr. Benbrook President.

Dallas, Dec. 11.—Frank Fitzhugh, Texas Medical association elected several new members, chose Waxabachie for next place of meeting and elected Dr. Benbrook of Rockwall, president. Numerous papers were read.

Child Accidentally Shot.

Taylor, Tex., Dec. 11.—Kelly Wejr, eleven years old, was fatally shot with a target rifle. It was accidental.

The Texas and Pacific Holiday Rates.

The territory to which excursion tickets for the holidays will be sold has been considerably widened. In addition to the usual sale of tickets to points in the Southeastern States, the T. & P. Railway company will also sell round trip tickets to principal points in Mexico, Colorado, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The rate will be one first-class fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip and tickets may be purchased December 13th, 17th, 21st, 23d and 26th, good to return within thirty days from date of sale.

Further information regarding rates, through service sleepers, free seats in chair cars, etc., may be had from any railroad ticket agent or through correspondence with H. P. Hughes, traveling passenger agent, Fort Worth, Texas, or E. P. Turner, G. P. & T. A., T. & P. Railway Co., Dallas, Texas. d&w-Dec. 16

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Our stock of Holiday Goods for this season is so much more extensive than formerly, we are compelled to abandon our FORMAL HOLIDAY OPENING for this season and beg to announce that our entire lines--superior in beauty, art and designs to any we have displayed in the past is now awaiting your inspection and we extend to everyone a most cordial welcome to come and see our beautiful displays. We will have distributed at your door tomorrow our mammoth announcement sheet; read it; it will interest all buyers of HOLIDAY Goods.

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The miners have the ear of the public now, and are "putting it on to" the operators in good shape. They have proved enough now to sink the whole lot into perdition.

The Texas congressional delegation have requested the president to consider Governor Sayers of Texas for appointment to a place on the isthmian canal commission. The appointment of Governor Sayers would be a credit to the president's judgment.

An order has been placed for lumber to build a snag boat for the Trinity river, and Navasota is now figuring on a sea wall.—Austin Statesman.

Better study up on the geography of Texas, and get the location of her large cities and seaports fixed in your mind. Navasota is a long way from the Trinity.

A. & M. football eleven claim the Southern championship, and none of the other teams seem to be kicking about it.—Austin Statesman.

The A. & M. boys didn't give them much chance to kick, and Varsity and the other teams did not kick very well when they had a chance.

The Indianapolis Sentinel quotes from a late statement by Booker T. Washington: We cannot elevate and make useful a race of people until there is held out to them the hope of reward for right living. Every revised constitution through out the southern states has put a premium upon intelligence, ownership of property, thrift and character.

This will no doubt surprise some of the northern republicans who have been lamenting the disfranchisement of the negro in the south, says the Sentinel, for Mr. Washington evidently considers the so-called disfranchisement a blessing to the negro. And so it is if it be a blessing to gain "intelligence, ownership of property, thrift and character," for these are the qualities on which the negro's right to the ballot is based, and he can get it by acquiring them.—Houston Post.

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ONLY BEST GRADE DRUGS and Chemicals in all Prescription work. Our label on medicine guarantees correctness and quality. We solicit your prescriptions and family recipes.

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Coop, G. H. Carter, Jim
Castor, Guachino Carroll, Ab.
Eden, J. R. Cooper, Geo.
Foster, Dan Fisk, Jim
Greer, Henry Hodge, Henry
Hodges, S. E. Hicks, Chas.
Harvey, J. A. Armstrong, M.
Harris, A. H. Hawkins, Tomie
Hale, H. N. Jones, Chas.
Jones, Sam Johnson, Drink
Johnson, Jim Johnson, Primus
Kelley, H. W. McIver, J. D.
McNey, John Henry Mims, Mack
Minston, B. J. Nettles, Dan
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Pans, J. M. Royder, Geo.
Roe, Nathan Reinschlagel 3
Scambra, Tony McSwain, A. B.
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Sandles, Matilda Williams, Lula
Xes, Willie Wells, Sophena
Webs, Ida

Above list of letters remaining in the Bryan postoffice for the week ending Dec. 8, 1902. A charge of one cent is made on each piece of mail advertised. When calling for these letters please say "advertised" and give date. TYLER HASWELL, Postmaster.

A company of clever comedians, says an advance notice, will be the support of Mr. Harry West, the German dialect comedian, at the opera house on Saturday night, Dec. 13. This attraction will be one of merit in every respect. Fun fast and furious is produced in addition to a number of the latest musical and dancing numbers and several high-class vaudeville acts by ladies and gentlemen of metropolitan reputation.

I have too many flannel waists and have put prices on them to move them. Coulter. 5

Found—In the streets of Bryan, a ladies hat. Owner may procure same by calling at Eagle office, describing property and paying for this notice.

ALL WERE RELEASED

British and German Subjects Under Arrest Are Now Free.

LA GUAYRA IS ALERT

Venezuelan Soldiers Are Arriving at the Seaport City, Mauser Rifles Carried Along the Streets and Excitement Great.

La Guayra, Dec. 11.—All British and German subjects arrested have been released.

The British cruiser Indefatigable arrived here from Cuanta, Port Barcelona, where she is believed to have been in search of the Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador.

The German cruiser Vinita and the British cruiser Retribution have left. It is supposed they have on board Venezuela's answer to the demand of the foreign powers, which arrived from Caracas on a special train.

German charge d'affaires, Herr Von Pilgrins-Boltazzi, British Minister Haggard and the personnel of the British legation are still on board warships.

What is termed the inopportune demonstration and strange method resorted to in the remittance to Venezuela of the demands of Great Britain and Germany's ministers are freely criticised here.

The government has sent 2000 men and eighteen guns from Caracas to the garrison at La Guayra. Volunteers to the number of 926 men, all living here, have been armed. All day Wednesday and all night ammunition was carried to Fort Lavigia, which crowns the harbor, and preparations made to resist foreign forces. It is asserted here the government can find sufficient men to resist the foreign forces, as the movement is peculiar. Everywhere one meets all classes and conditions carrying Mauser rifles.

The news of the capture at Port Spain and the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar by the British cruiser Charlydis were communicated to President Castro by a representative of the Associated Press. The event has created intense excitement.

General Ferrer, minister of war, has arrived here with 2000 troops.

Eight hundred under President Castro's brother are expected.

It is said the British minister, on the Retribution, and the German charge, on the Vineta, have left for Trinidad.

Only the British cruiser Indefatigable is here. She is at anchor in the middle of the harbor.

MUST AGREE.

Pro Rata Division Has to Be Decided Before Seizure Takes Place.

London, Dec. 11.—In connection with the reported seizure of the Venezuelan customs, foreign officials say arrangements for that step have not been completed. Before any general seizure could occur Germany, Great Britain and other nations have to come to agreement for a pro rata division and adjustment of their respective claims similar to that arrived at by the allies in China except the La Guayra customhouse may possibly have been seized as a purely military measure. Though the seizure of the customhouse may take place eventually, it is pointed out that while hostilities are in progress customs as a fiscal institution are practically valueless.

Officials Pleased.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—Foreign officials are much pleased with Bowen's energetic action of Caracas, resulting in the release of most of the Germans imprisoned and his efforts to obtain liberation of the others. Advice on the subject have been received from Washington.

Presume They Are Correct.

London, Dec. 11.—Officials are glad to hear of the release of British subjects, but are unable to express any opinion on press dispatches except to say, as Under Foreign Secretary Cranborne did, that they presumed they are correct.

Two Captured.

Kingston, St. Vincent, Dec. 11.—The Venezuelan troop ship Zamora and coast guard vessel Veinte Tres De Mayo were captured in the Gulf of Paria and taken to Port of Spain by British sloop Alert.

Humorous References.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—Morning papers contain humorous reference to what they term President Castro's magnificent manifestos.

Proposal by American.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 11.—The directors of the Royal Bank of Canada, the headquarters of which are in this city, have issued a letter to the shareholders announcing that a party of American gentlemen of high financial position and with prominent business connections, have made a proposal to acquire 5000 shares of the bank's capital stock at the rate of \$250 per share. The bank, which has now a subscribed capital stock of \$2,000,000, would increase its capital by \$500,000 and bring its reserve up to \$2,450,000. The directors recommend the acceptance of the proposition and ask the shareholders to announce their rights to the new stock. It is intended if this proposal is accepted to issue \$50,000 worth of stock among the shareholders, making the capital \$3,000,000.

Made Public.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The treaty between the United States and Great Britain regarding commercial relations between the United States and New Foundland has been made public.

CHRISTMAS CLASSICS

At Christmas play and make good cheer. For Christmas comes but once a year. —Tusser.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimney with care In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there. —Clement C. Moore.

The time draws near the birth of Christ. The moon is hid; the night is still; The Christmas bells from hill to hill Answer each other in the mist. —Tennyson.

This is the month and this the happy morn Wherein the Son of heaven's eternal King, Of wedded maid and virgin mother born, Our great redemption from above did bring. For so the holy sages once did sing That he our deadly forfeit should release And with his Father work us a perpetual peace. —Milton.

In December ring Every day the chimneys; Loud the gleemen sing In the streets their merry rhymes, Let us by the fire Ever higher Sing them till the night expire! —Longfellow.

No trumpet blast profaned The hour in which the Prince of Peace was born; No bloody streamlet stained Earth's silver rivers on that sacred morn. —Bryant.

What Babe new born is this that in a manger cries? Near on her lowly bed his happy mother lies. Oh, see the air is shaken with white and heavenly wings! This is the Lord of all the earth; this is the King of kings. —R. W. Gilder.

The mistletoe hung in the castle hall; The holly branch shone on the old oak wall. —Thomas Haynes Bayly.

For little children everywhere A joyous season still we make; We bring our precious gifts to them, Even for the dear child Jesus' sake. —Phoebe Cary.

His Delicate Proposal.

Gladys (on Christmas morning)—What a dear little clock! Who gave you that? Marjorie—George, of course. Gladys—Is it going? Marjorie—Oh, no! George wishes me to understand that I may set my own time.—Smart Set.

Stupid George.

"Are you going to hang up any mistletoe?" "No, I'm not. I put some up last year, and George asked if it wasn't asparagus."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE TRUTH ABOUTSANTA CLAUS

Of course there's a Santa Claus! Every one knows it—That is, every one who has good sense and shows it. There are those who doubt love and religion and morals—Those people who always are seeking for quarrels On questions of faith and are ever lamenting The existence of things to which there's no dissenting. They would have all the dear little children believing There isn't a Santa, but their aim's deceiving. He's jolly and big, and his nickname's Kris Kringle; God pity the child who has not heard the jingle



Of his silver bells as he comes swift a-sleighing When his annual visit of love he's a-paying! He's round, and he's fat, and his whiskers are whitened With centuried snows, but his good face is lightened With the cheery warm nature that keeps you supernal And will make dear old Santa Claus last time eternal. So, children, don't think when you hang up each stocking That there is no Santa Claus—that would be shocking—Because while you're snugly and cozily sleeping He'll come with his reindeer all madly a-leaping And from his rich load in a trice will be taking And leaving the gifts that will gladden your waking! —Washington Star.

S. CLAUS' MAIL HELD UP.

Bushels of Letters That the Old Man Never Will Receive.

Sometimes the address on the envelope starts "Dear," which, of course, means "Dear," and again it is "Deere" or "Deir." But even these remarkable spellings are nothing compared with the two words that follow. They read "Santy Klaw's" or "Sant Cios" or "Saint Claus," and they are in handwriting compared to which Babylonian cuneiform is as a primer.

They are coming into the dead letter office in this city by the hundreds these days, and, although the clerks in the division are the most painstaking of men and can decipher an actual address from a mass of hieroglyphs, they never have been able to learn the exact location of either the business office or home of one S. Claus, Esq., manufacturer of toys.

So these letters never reach their destination. They would be returned to the senders only for the sad fact that when they are opened the enclosures almost invariably look as if a spider had got drunk on a bottle of ink and had tried to perform a mixture of highland fling and cakewalk on the paper. The most that can be made out is the invariable beginning, "Please bring me"—

Last year in the dead letter division there was a bushel basket of these missives, doomed never to be seen by Santa Claus. And this year letter boxes are furnishing additions at every collection.—New York Press.

THE YULETIDE LOG.

An Ancient Custom Still Observed in the North of England.

A custom at one time prevalent in England and still observed in some of the northern districts of the old country is that of placing an immense log of wood—sometimes the root of a great tree—in the wide chimney place. This is often called the Yule log, and it was on Christmas eve that it was put on the wide hearth. Around it would gather the entire family, and its entrance was the occasion of a great deal of ceremony. There were music and rejoicing, while the one authorized to light it was obliged to have clean hands.

It was always lighted with a brand left over from the log of the previous year, which had been carefully preserved for the purpose. A poet sings of it in this way:

With the last year's brand Light the new block, and For good success in his spending On your pastimes play That sweet luck may Come while the log is a-tending.

The Yule log was supposed to be a protection against evil spirits, and it was considered a bad omen if the fire went out before the evening was over. The family and guests used to seat themselves in front of the brightly burning fire, and many a story and merry jest went round the happy group.—New York Mail and Express.

Sound Advice!

We all enjoy a good hearty meal but few dare indulge in it, for fear of sick-headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, and a host of other stomach troubles. Take a wine glassful of **Carrizo Springs Mineral Water** after your meals, and you will be able to eat and drink what you please, with impunity. It is a natural mineral water, nature's own remedy for Constipation, Stomach and Catarrhal troubles, and may be given to the youngest children. Try a bottle, it costs but 25 cents, should your druggist not have it, we will ship you a 5-gallon jug prepaid for \$4.00.

CARRIZO SPRINGS MINERAL WATER COMPANY.
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92 acres of firstclass land near A. & M. college, good location for dairy and hog farm, price \$1000.

3½ lots on courthouse square, good seven room house, newly painted with barn and all necessary out houses, fine well of water going at \$2200.00.

Will sell the Pochila two story house cheap.

Will sell lots in north western part of city, inside lots at \$25.00, corner lots at \$35.00.

69 acres on Wixon creek known as Pearson place, 49 acres in cultivation. All creek bottom land except 5 acres. Good place for party wanting small farm. Going cheap.

Other lands too numerous to mention.

COAL COAL COAL PERTON \$8

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The whole wheat berry
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Boston Brown Flake

Malta Vita, Condensed Compressed Mince Meat, Snap de Batterie Syrup in glass decanters and one-half gallon cans and Ferndell brand of whole fruit Peaches, Pears, white and red Cherry, Strawberry, Crabapple, Preserves is unexcelled. Our line of Ferndell Canned Goods is complete and unequalled. Our Chase & Sanborn line of roasted coffees at 3, 4, 5, and 6 pound for \$1 is recognized as the standard all over the world; try them and you will use no other.

Dansby & Dansby.

I. & G. N. SCHEDULE.

No. 104—Northbound—Passenger Leaves.....4:25 p. m.
(Makes close connection with main line I. & G. N. going east and west.)
No. 101—Southbound—Passenger—Arrives.....7:15 p. m.

H. & T. C. SCHEDULE.

Northbound No. 1.....2:20 a. m.
Northbound No. 3.....1:27 p. m.
Northbound No. 5.....2:13 a. m.
Southbound No. 2.....2:00 p. m.
Southbound No. 4.....4:16 p. m.
Southbound No. 6.....2:46 a. m.
Nos. 3 and 4 are fast trains, stopping only at principal stations.

Local News

Read Haswell's Kodak ad. d2t
Phone Edge Bros. for choice a'fal-fa. 4
Ham South went to Millican yesterday.
Flannel waists at your price at Coulter's. d2t
H. O. Ferguson of Harvey was here yesterday.
Don't miss seeing Coulter's cut prices on waists. d2t
W. L. Zuleh of Willow Hole was in town yesterday.
Novelties in toys for the children. Read's drug store. 5
C. B. McGregor of Millican was in the city yesterday.
Claim Agent Crowder of the H. & T. C. was here yesterday.
Fine perfumeries, in packages and bulk. Read's drug store. 5
R. A. Henry called on the Eagle while in town yesterday.
John Wittman went to Wortham yesterday to visit his son.
G. B. Hensarling of Wellborn called on the Eagle yesterday.
J. J. Scrimshire of Millican was here on business yesterday.
For the boy—Star brand shoes wear like iron—buy them at Coulter's. 5
M. Corgia of Macy gave the Eagle a call while in the city yesterday.
I have positively marked my best flannel waists down below cost. W. J. Coulter. 5
Dr. T. J. Pugh was here yesterday en route home to Stoneham after visiting St. Louis.
Konecny Bros. now have two markets to supply their customers with first-class fresh meats. 6

A few extra trucks now at Coulter's. d2t

Fireworks, best quality, lowest prices. Read's drug store. 5

Edge Bros. have a car of hulls on the track. Ask them for prices. 4

E. A. Berry returned from Madisonville Wednesday night and went to Marlin yesterday.

10 per cent in price and 25 per cent in freight is what I save by buying trunks by the car load. 5

Franklin Bros. never sell their market but they sell more good meat than the rest combined. 8

You can't match them in style or price. Those \$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00 ladies jackets at Webb Bros. 5

Lost—Monday afternoon one ladies black silk umbrella. Finder will please return to Eagle office for reward. d2t

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnston left yesterday afternoon for San Angelo, near which place Mrs. Johnston will spend some time visiting relatives.

Mr. F. Marion Law has begun building a handsome five room cottage adjoining the Christian church on the west. Mr. J. H. Perrin has the contract.

Richard Hill, a negro charged with the theft of a pistol from the Fountain plantation in Burleson county, was lodged in the calaboose Wednesday night by Marshal Boyett.

An Eastman Kodak demonstrator will be at Haswell's Friday, Dec. 12, from 2 to 6. Free instruction for development without the dark room. d2t

Franklin Bros. two markets are always well supplied with the best country affords, bought by skilled and well-experienced buyers and handled with more care than you will find elsewhere. 8

The funeral service of Mr. W. E. Harris was conducted at his late home yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock by Dr. J. D. West, pastor of the Presbyterian church. The interment was made under the auspices of Vulcan lodge, A. O. U. W., assisted by members of the local lodge of Woodmen of the World. 5

The Bay Oyster Parlor invite the public to their dining parlors Friday night, Dec. 12th, at 8:30. Oysters will be served, also various delicacies, cakes, etc. Music will enliven the evening, and our dining room will be tastefully decorated. The patronage of the public is solicited. Ladies especially invited. C. H. Holmes, prop'r. 4

Good Warm

Undertwear!

Our stock of Winter Undertwear includes all weights in cotton, merino & wool, fleece lined and jersey ribbed in pure white, stripes and solid colors every garment is of standard make and full size, cut to fit and made for SERVICE.

Cotton garments

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Flannel night robes, good

and warm.....75c and \$1.00

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MEN'S
OUTFITTERS.

DR. WEST TO REMAIN.

Some time ago Dr. J. D. West, pastor of the Bryan Presbyterian church, erroneously, but conscientiously, concluded that he could best serve the cause to which his life has been steadfastly devoted in another field, to which he had been invited, and accordingly he tendered his resignation to the Bryan church. But the congregation wisely thought otherwise and rose up in solid opposition to the plan. Not only did they veto the resignation, so to speak, but they got up a unanimous petition to the Presbytery and sent a representative down to Houston to back it up with oral arguments, which he did with no uncertain sound. The authorities of the Presbytery, being ever ready to listen to the voice of a congregation, were much impressed with the insistent appeal of the Bryan church, and sent representation to Bryan for a closer investigation into the case. The result was that the Presbytery became convinced that there was no occasion for Dr. West to seek another field, and so advised him. Like the true soldier of the cross that he is, he acquiesced in the decision and has buckled on his armor with renewed energy, and a mind clear of any thought that he might have served out his days of usefulness and be standing in the way. The incident has also given him a right to expect more unanimous if not more zealous work and attendance upon services from his membership, and it will doubtless result.

The Eagle feels confident that the people of Bryan, regardless of domination, rejoice that this profound, earnest and godly man has been persuaded to remain in our midst and continue his kindly, patient and devoted labors.

Another car load of trucks received at Coulter's. d2t

D. C. Hill of Rogers Prairie was in the city yesterday.

J. F. Cavitt of Wheelock was a visitor to Bryan yesterday.

The prettiest line of china in sets or pieces. Read's drug store. 5

Konecny Bros.—City market and blue front—for the best meats. 6

Do not buy any blankets till you see and price ours. Webb Bros. 5

For Sale—Furniture and household effects. W. H. Harman, Jr. 9

Christmas turkeys—the finest we have ever had—Bryan Grocery Co. 5

John S. Calloway and little son of Quannah have been here the past few days.

Allegretti's famous chocolate creams, none so good, at Read's drug store. 5

For Sale—Mitchell 2 1/4 inch wagon used about 6 months. Apply to D. McDougald. 6

Get your Christmas turkey from the Bryan Grocery Co. They are fat and fine. 5

Just received a fresh shipment of Huyler's pure, delicious candies for Christmas at McDougald's drug store. 16

The wet weather of the past few days has made Star brand shoes very popular. You can get them at Coulter's. d2t

On Monday, Dec. 9, I received my second car-load of trunks. Bought two car-loads of trunks this fall. W. J. Coulter.

The greatest football event of the year will be the game this afternoon between the Bryan high school and the A. & C. Institute at the fair grounds at 4 o'clock. All are invited to attend free of charge.

Mr. G. H. Turner of the I. & G. N., headquarters at Palestine, yesterday notified the agent at Bryan that his line will make a half rate on corn for the benefit of the farmers, which will be about 6 1/2 cents per 100 pounds.

Mr. T. A. Searcy of Bryan was made a district deputy grand master at the Masonic grand lodge at Houston last week. Mr. Searcy is a zealous and active member of the Masons, and the distinction conferred upon him was well merited.

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We have everything to make your Fruit Cake and your Christmas Dinner will be a success if you buy your groceries from us.

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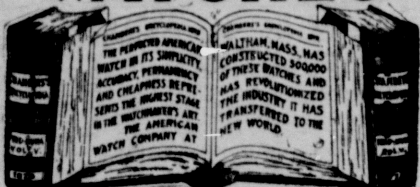
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11,000,000 WALTHAM WATCHES
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No Brought Overs

Out of the very large display of Cut Glass in our cases, not over a half dozen pieces were brought over from old stock. This is a fair sample of my entire stock. It is **bright and new for Christmas!** Everything else is as fresh and pretty as our Cut Glass, and we have all kinds of Jewelry, Watches, Rings, Vases, Etc. The biggest stock we ever carried. Come and see it.

...JOHN M. CALDWELL...

If you would just come and

Look

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Real Estate Agent.

Have in office the only set of abstract books of Brazos county land titles.

FOR SALE.

40 acres of first-class pasture land located partly within the city limits. Plenty of stock water. Price \$15 per acre.

About one and one-quarter acres near schoolhouse in southeast part of town. Small new cottage, tenant house and well on premises. Price \$750.

Six room house and two lots of land located four blocks from Main Street. Brick cistern on premises. Price \$1250.

One quarter block near Allen Academy. East front. Price \$250.00. Terms easy.

75 feet front on Railroad street out Otto Boehme's property. Will sell part or all.

Lots near school house at \$100 each.

Also other city property

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One fare PLUS \$2.

Tickets will be sold
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LIMIT 30 DAYS FOR RETURN.

Note the low rate and early selling dates—Quick Time, Good Accommodations for Holiday Travel

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**MEMPHIS,
SHREVEPORT
and ST. LOUIS**

Excursion tickets will also be on sale between all points on the I. & G. N. System December 23, 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1902, and January 1, 1903, limited January 3 for return. Call on Agents, or write for particulars as to Territory, Rates, Schedules, Etc.

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First-class Hot and Cold
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ORANGE TREE GAVEL.

President of the American Public Health Association Given One.

New Orleans, Dec. 11.—When President Holton called the third day's session of the American Public Health Association to order he was presented with a handsome gavel made from a Louisiana orange tree, trimmed in silver and suitably inscribed.

The convention concurred in the resolution recommended by the executive committee in favor of the national consumption of sanatoria.

A resolution asking the abolition of quarantine was reported back by the executive committee with the recommendation that it is not expedient to adopt it at this time. Dr. Guiteras moved the recommendation be sustained, but there was considerable objection. On a close vote, the recommendation prevailed.

A motion by Dr. Schrader was adopted instructing the president to appoint delegates to the Tuberculosis congress at St. Louis in 1904.

HORSEMEAT DINNER.

Humane Society Member Refuses to Participate in the Feast.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The most distinguished members of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals have declined an invitation issued by the Fleischer-Zeitung, the national organ of the German butchers, to a horse-meat banquet on the ground that horse-flesh would not have a fair chance at a dinner given under the auspices of the Butchers' league, but the Fleischer-Zeitung informed that society that it is designs to give such dinner itself, to which 400 persons will be invited. The Fleischer-Zeitung, however, persists in trying to get the directors of the society to attend the dinner and commissioned the hotel-keeper to prepare a menu which includes horse bouillon, asparagus brislet, horse and horse fillet, a la nelson, the whole to be washed down with excellent wines.

SEVEN NEW POISONS.

A Michigan Professor Is Said to Have Discovered That Number.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Professor Schlotterback, professor of pharmacognosy in the University of Michigan, has discovered seven new poisons, says a special to the Tribune from Ann Arbor, Mich. Three of them are named from the allegheny vine. He has made two of the poisons adumine and adurnidine, and one is still unnamed. From the caladine poppy the professor has extracted the fourth and fifth poisons called stylophine and diphylline, and from the Japanese caladine the poison bacconidine, and one yet unnamed.

Protest from Indians.

Washington, Dec. 11.—In the senate Yuay held resolutions adopted by the civilized tribes of the Indian Territory protesting against joint statehood with Oklahoma.

The bill passed allowing consuls general, consuls and commercial agents who are not allowed to trade, actual expenses of office rent not exceeding \$1800 per annum. Also bill refunding certain tonnage taxes on steamer Santiago de Cuba at Cienfuegos.

Arbitration Resolution.

Washington, Dec. 11.—A joint resolution was offered in the house by Shafroth (Colo.), authorizing the president to propose to Great Britain and Germany to submit their claims against Venezuela to arbitration and to guarantee the payment of the awards that may be found.

New Counterfeit.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Chief Wilkie of the United States secret service announces the discovery of a new counterfeit \$20 gold certificate the act of July 12, 1882, check letter C; Lyons, register; Roberts treasurer; portrait of Garfield. The note is a very fine photographic production.

Slain in His Parlor.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 11.—Thomas Wilson, an overseer, was shot and killed in the parlor of his residence Wednesday night by Arthur Bishop, a traveling salesman of Petersburg, Va. Bishop fled. It is said Wilson objected to Bishop's presence in his house and ordered him to leave. In the quarrel that followed Bishop shot and instantly killed Wilson.

Held to District Court.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 11.—George Casey, the former chairman of the Democratic county central committee, and C. E. Alsop, who was a candidate for the legislature, were bound over to the district court under bonds of \$1000.

Together with Charles W. Clark son of the senator, they are charged with bribery.

Accept If Tendered.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—A special to the Record-Herald from Milwaukee, Wis., says: Senator John C. Spooner, in answer to a formal letter of inquiry sent him by Senator Whitehead and the assemblymen of Rock county, announces that he will accept a re-election to the United States senate if it be tendered him by the legislature. He says he would consider an election a command from the party which he had no right to disobey.

Portrait of Luther.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—A hitherto unknown portrait of Martin Luther, painted by Lucas Cranach, the celebrated artist and burgomaster of Wittenberg, has been uncovered in the town church of Wittenberg. It is pronounced to be the best portrait of Martin Luther in existence.

Engagement Announced.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The betrothal is announced of the Grand Duke of Saxe-Weimer to Princess Caroline of Reus.

FROM AUSTIN.

Matters of Interest Sent Out by Correspondents at That City.

Austin, Dec. 11.—State Health Officer Tabor received word there have been 122 cases of bubonic plague this year in the United States. He favors a thorough investigation.

J. B. Rogers, a prominent citizen of Travis county, died suddenly while camping Wednesday night with some friends.

John Ratican, a member of Hood's brigade, was found dead in bed at the Confederate home. He was from Fort Worth.

Governor Sayers appointed A. B. Kennedy of Bonham lieutenant colonel and medical director of the Volunteer Guard.

MAD MULLAH KILLED.

It Is Rumored He Was Assassinated in the Act of Praying.

Aden, Arabia, Dec. 11.—A rumor has reached here of the assassination of the Mad Mullah in Samalliland. The report was brought to the court by a native runner from Carreroo, via Barbra. The Mad Mullah is said to have been killed by a spear thrust inflicted while he was praying.

Condition of Wheat.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The statistician of the department of agriculture estimates the newly seeded area of winter wheat at about 34,000,000 acres, an increase of 5.1 per cent upon the area estimated to have been sown in the fall of 1901. The condition of winter wheat on December 1 was 99.7, as compared with 86.7 in 1901; 97.1 in 1900, and a nine year average of 91.4. The average condition Dec. 1 for Texas was 198 against 90; for Oklahoma 107 against 97.

Negroes Meet.

Selma, Ala., Dec. 11.—Negroes from all parts of the state met here to form a colored Republican party. The president was commended for not endorsing the "Lily Whites." Democrats will be appealed to in an address requesting that "they be allowed to register." Booker T. Washington did not attend.

Football Players in Europe.

Liverpool, Dec. 11.—The team of Canadian football players has arrived here on the Allan line steamer Bavarian (from St. John, N. B., and Halifax) and proceeded to Dublin. They will play several matches in Ireland before playing in England. On their way across the Atlantic the Canadians practiced daily. They are all well and confident of success.

Several Crimes Confessed.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 11.—Marshall Clemens, a negro recently arrested, has confessed to Chief of Police John Mason that he was guilty of setting fire to five residences and outhouses in the suburbs of the city, and that on Sept. 24 he set fire to the residence of Colonel E. W. Rector at Hot Springs, Ark.

Decision Affirmed.

Vinita, I. T., Dec. 11.—The secretary of the interior has affirmed the decision of the Dawes commission rejecting the applications of Henry C. Hayden, Mariah Hayden, Geo. B. Buckner et al., Ella Middleton and Andy Rider for enrollment as freedmen citizens of the Cherokee nation.

Won All but One.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Emanuel Lasker, champion chess player of the world, played fourteen simultaneous games of chess at the University club Wednesday night, and won all except one. The champion gave each opponent a knight and took the opening move himself.

Five Men Jailed.

Ellisville, Miss., Dec. 11.—Five men, who are charged with the murder of William Lawrence, a prominent man of Jonesboro, Ga., at a lumber camp near Laurel, Miss., have been placed in jail here for safe keeping. The community is greatly excited.

Bribery Attempts Alleged.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 11.—Testimony before strike commission Wednesday was that a mine foreman had tried to bribe two presidents of unions.

Blow Resulted in Death.

Kirbyville, Tex., Dec. 11.—W. A. Abbott was killed here. He had a dispute with a party and was struck with a stick. He died from hemorrhages of the brain.

Lost Much Money.

Dallas, Dec. 11.—Frank Fitzhugh, a visitor here, lost a pocketbook containing \$2400.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Four gambling houses at St. Joseph, Mo., were victimized by two strangers for \$3000.

William A. Hunter, a miner at Coal-town, Ill., near Moline, was killed by a dynamite blast.

The former Spanish ship Reina Mercedes is being refitted at Portsmouth, N. H., for a training ship.

A gas vein and some oil have been struck at a depth of 235 feet at Kaiser Mound, near Columbia, Tex.

The famous copper suit known as the Cobre-Grande litigation has been reopened at Phoenix, Ariz.

The interurban line between Temple and Belton, Tex., now seems assured. It will cost \$210,000.

A skeleton exhumed near Abilene, Tex., is believed to be that of a man murdered many years ago.

A negro in a hypnotic trance was successfully operated on at El Paso, Tex. He had been badly carved with a knife.

Joseph A. Taft of the government geological survey and three assistants have taken up headquarters at Harts-horne, I. T.

ment in many preceding international troubles in which her good offices have been invoked. The latest report from Bowen to the department confirmed the press dispatches relative to the seizure of the Venezuelan navy in the port of Caracas Tuesday. It is now expected the next step will be the announcement of a formal blockade of that port by the British and German warships.

Without Precedent.

Washington, Dec. 11.—It was said at the British and German embassies that the action of President Castro in ordering the arrest of all subjects of the British and German governments in Caracas was without precedent in the history of civilized countries supposedly at peace with each other, and that such action would be regarded as sufficient ground for a declaration of war. Members of the diplomatic corps here indeed regard it as being such a declaration in itself.

French Representative.

Paris, Dec. 11.—The foreign office has selected Count de Rocca as the French representative in the arbitration with Venezuela and ordered him to proceed immediately to Caracas with M. Weiner. The arbitration counts the losses sustained by French citizens whose houses were burned and whose plantations were destroyed during the revolution. The sessions of the arbitrators will be held at Caracas.

Naval Plans.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The naval plans of Germany and Great Britain provide for the patrolling of the Venezuelan coast by launches in order to prevent smuggling and for the blockade of those Venezuelan ports where the custom houses have not been taken over, in order to prevent vessels avoiding the ports occupied by the allies.

GROW SPOKE.

Venerable Congressman Discussed Relations Between Labor and Capital.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The feature of the house proceedings Wednesday was a thoughtful speech by the venerable Galusha A. Grow of Pennsylvania on the relations between labor and capital. At the end of the present session he retires at the age of 79, after a career in public life extending over half a century. His first speech in the house was on "Man's Right to the Soil." He was the author of the free homestead act. His speech Wednesday was regarded as his valedictory to public life, and was listened to with close attention by his colleagues. His conclusion was that some sort of co-operation between capital and labor was the only solution of the impending problem.

A bill was passed in general terms designed to relieve the tea importers from the effect of the recent decision of the circuit court in New York, imposing the ten-cent war duty on tea imported in bond prior to the time when tea is restored to the free list Jan. 1, 1903. Another bill to refund the duties collected on merchandise from Porto Rico and the Philippines during the period between the ratification of the treaty of Paris and the congressional revenue acts for those islands also was provided. The pure food bill was made a continuing order, not to interfere with appropriation bills, until it is disposed of.

OMNIBUS BILL.

The Senate on Wednesday Devoted All the Day to the Measure.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Almost the entire session of the senate Wednesday was devoted to a discussion of the omnibus statehood bill. The bill came over a the unfinished business from the last session and by agreement was fixed for calling it up. Early in the morning hour Mr. Quay submitted a report of his own and its reading occupied the time of the senate until 2 o'clock, when the statehood bill was laid before the senate.

Its reading was begun immediately thereafter, followed by the reading of the substitute. Mr. Beveridge, chairman of the committee on territories, then presented the committee report giving the reasons for recommending joint statehood for Oklahoma and Indian Territory, and for not favoring the omnibus bill.

In the course of the reading of the several reports and the statehood bill, the senate passed a bill refunding certain revenue taxes to owners of private dies and also a bill relieving certain importers from the duty on tea placed in bonded warehouses.

Reasons for Opposition.

Washington, Dec. 11.—In presenting the majority report of committee on territories, Senator Beveridge, chairman, opposed admission of New Mexico to statehood because population is too small and many do not speak the English language, and Arizona because people are too few and saloons and gambling houses too numerous.

Nominations Made.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate:

First Lieutenant John F. Wild to be captain revenue cutter service.

Postmasters—Oklahoma, C. F. Herrman, Stillwater; Texas, William Drawe, Cuero.

Beveridge's Position.

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 11.—In a letter to a citizen Senator Beveridge says he favors statehood for the Indian Territory and thinks it and Oklahoma will be one state.

Nast's Successor.

Washington, Dec. 11.—George Sawyer, consul at Antigua, B. W. I., has been appointed to succeed the late Thomas Nast, as consular general at Guayaquil.

Goods Stolen.

Mannsville, I. T., Dec. 11.—Burglars took away goods from the stores of W. B. Shrimshire & Co. and G. T. Echols to the value of nearly \$600.

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